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November 05, 2013

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

30 November 5, 2013

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: FIRE DISTRICT
FIRE CAMP 8 SEPTIC SYSTEM REFURBISHMENT
UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES COUNTY
ESTABLISH CAPITAL PROJECT
APPROVE BUDGET
SPECS. 7243; CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 89043
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION
(THIRD DISTRICT)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This is a joint recommendation with the Fire Chief to allow the Department of Public Works to prepare construction documents and obtain jurisdictional approval for the Fire Camp 8 Septic System Refurbishment Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find that the Fire Camp 8 Septic System Refurbishment Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this letter and in the record of the Project.
- 2. Approve and establish Capital Project No. 89043 for the Fire Camp 8 Septic System Refurbishment Project.
- 3. Approve the \$1,850,000 total budget for the Project.
- 4. Authorize the Director of Public Works, or her designee, to carry out the Project, manage, and deliver the design and construction of the Project on behalf of the Consolidated Fire Protection

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District of the County of Los Angeles; award and execute consultant service agreements, amendments, and supplements related to this project within the same authority and limits delegated to the Director, or her designee, by the Board for County capital projects; to accept the Project; and to release retention upon acceptance.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will find that the Fire Camp 8 Septic System Refurbishment Project (Project) is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and allow the Department of Public Works (Public Works) to carry out the Project and proceed with design and jurisdictional approvals. Fire Camp 8 is located at 1900 South Rambla Pacifico Street in unincorporated Los Angeles County.

In November 2011, Psomas, under a Board-approved as-needed architectural/engineering (A/E) agreement with Public Works, provided an assessment of the septic systems at various County of Los Angeles Fire District facilities, including Fire Camp 8. Psomas' report recommended the aging septic system at Fire Camp 8 be replaced with a new system that will meet the camp's needs and comply with current codes.

Design of the Project will be carried out through Public Works', Board-approved as-needed A/E design services agreement with Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering, Inc. (PACE). The estimated design cost is \$145,000. Upon completion of design and jurisdictional approvals, Public Works will return to the Board to adopt plans and specifications, and advertise for bids to construct the Project.

Green Building/Sustainable Design Program

The proposed Project supports the Board's Green Building/Sustainable Design Program by constructing a new and improved septic system that will result in cleaner effluent being released into the soil, thus improving the quality of the groundwater.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) by maximizing the effectiveness of process, structure, and operations to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public service. The Project will achieve this goal by providing an environmentally sound facility. In addition, the Project is an investment in public infrastructure.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total cost for the Project is currently estimated at \$1,850,000, including plans and specifications, plan check, construction, change orders, consultant services, miscellaneous expenditures, and County services.

Sufficient funds are currently available in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Final Adopted Accumulated Capital Outlay fund for the Project, Capital Project No. 89043. The Project is funded with Fire Accumulated Capital Outlay fund balance. There is no impact to net County cost.

The proposed Project Schedule and Budget Summary are included in the Attachment.

Operational Budget Impact

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There will be no impact to the current operating budget. Yearly maintenance cost for the septic system installed at Fire Camp 8 is estimated at \$15,000 per year. A one-year maintenance agreement (first year of operations) will be included as part of the construction contract. After the first year of maintenance, the Fire District shall be responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the septic system.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Public Works will carry out design using a Board-approved, as-needed A/E design services agreement with PACE. The agreement contains terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including, but not limited to: County Code Chapter 2.200, Child Support Compliance Program; County Code Chapter 2.202, Contractor Responsibility and Debarment; County Code Chapter 2.203, Contractor Employee Jury Service Program; County Code Chapter 2.206, Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program; Board Policy 5.050, County's Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) and General Relief Opportunities for Work (GROW) Programs; Board Policy 5.060, Reporting of Improper Solicitations; Board Policy 5.110, Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers; and Board Policy 5.135, Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law).

As required by the Board, language has been incorporated into the Project contract documents stating that the contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015).

Per the Board's Civic Art Policy adopted on December 7, 2004 and revised on December 15, 2009, this Project is exempt from the Civic Art Fund as it is an infrastructure project.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA. The proposed project at Fire Camp 8 consists of the replacement or improvement of the existing septic system where the new structure will be located, and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; therefore, it is within a class of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that they meet the criteria set forth in Section 15302(c) of the CEQA Guidelines and Class 2(e) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, or other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the project records.

Upon the Board's approval of the Project, Public Works will file a Notice of Exemption for the project with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in accordance with Section 15062 of the CEQA Guidelines.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Design of the Fire Camp 8 Septic System Refurbishment Project will be carried out through a Public Works, Board-approved as-needed A/E agreement with PACE.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

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There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects as a result of authorizing the recommended consultant services agreement.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to the Chief Executive Office, Facilities and Asset Management Division; Fire District; and to the Department of Public Works, Project Management Division II.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief Executive Officer

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Enclosures

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ATTACHMENT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: FIRE DISTRICT FIRE CAMP 8 SEPTIC SYSTEM REFURBISHMENT UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES COUNTY ESTABLISH CAPITAL PROJECT APPROVE BUDGET SPECS. 7243; CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 89043 CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION (THIRD DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)

I. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Activity	Scheduled Completion Date
Design Construction Documents Jurisdictional Approval	05/22/14 08/14/14
Construction Bid and Award	11/24/14
Construction Substantial Completion Project Acceptance	11/23/15 01/20/16

II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Category	Project Budget	
Land Acquisition	\$	0
Construction		
Construction	\$	1,093,000
Change Orders	<u>\$</u>	164,000
Subtotal	\$	1,257,000
Programming/Development	\$	0
Plans and Specifications	\$	145,000
Consultant Services		
Environmental Documentation	\$	20,000
Project Cost Estimating	\$	10,000
Deputy Inspection	\$	30,000
Project Scheduling	\$ \$ \$	10,000
Subtotal	\$	70,000
Miscellaneous Expenditures	•	
Printing and Advertisement	<u>\$</u>	5,000
Subtotal	\$	5,000
Jurisdictional Review/Plan Check/Permit	\$	15,000
County Services	•	04.000
Code Compliance and Quality Control Inspections	\$	31,000
Contract Administration	\$	12,000
Contract Compliance	\$	25,000
Design Services	\$	024 000
Project Management Secretarial	Ф	231,000
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Document Control	Ф Ф	15,000
Project Technical Support Consultant Contract Recovery	ф Ф	11,000 8,000
Office of Countywide Contract Compliance	Ф Ф	10,000
Subtotal	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	358,000
Total	\$	1,850,000